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This communication includes a supplemental notice of allowance indicating that claim 29 has been canceled. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Timothy J. Thompson whose telephone number is (571) 272-2342. If the examiner can not be reached his supervisor, Georgia Epps, can be reached on (571) 272-2328.

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ming Li on 12/17/2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

19. A method as in claim 1, further comprising the steps of:

monitoring said intensity of said output beam from said optical element to

determine newly developed defects of said optical element;

adding locations of said newly developed defects to said microprocessor control

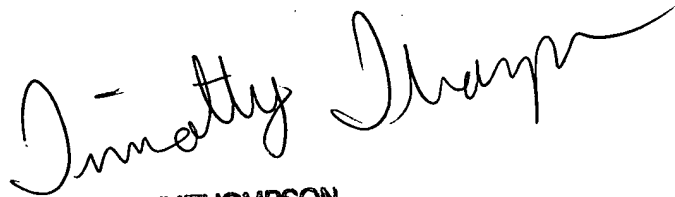
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